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Apply to the Eugene Citizens' Police Academy

SUMMARY: A few spots remain for this year's Citizens' Police Academy. Get your application in today for this exciting, informative, weekly class!

The Eugene Police Department is seeking interested citizens who wish to learn more about police operations by attending the 26th Citizens' Police Academy, which will be held September 11–December 4.

Eugene residents, students and workers have the opportunity to learn more about law enforcement and how their local police department works this fall. The Eugene Police Department is offering a Citizens' Police Academy starting in September. Applications, which must be submitted by August 24, may be found [online](#), sent by mail upon request, or picked up at the West University neighborhood police station.

Citizens' Police Academy participants will learn about a variety of assignments within the police department such as the K-9 Unit, SWAT Team, Forensics, Violent Crimes, Traffic Enforcement Unit, Vice Narcotics Unit, Explosives Disposal Unit and more, including a visit to the 9-1-1 Communication Center. Students will learn some defensive tactics, get to drive a police car on the Emergency Vehicle Operations Course and be given the opportunity to shoot police handguns and rifles at the firearms range.

The Citizen's Police Academy (CPA) will be held September 11 thru December 4, 2012. The CPA is a 14-week program with classes on Tuesdays from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m., plus two Saturdays from approximately 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. This academy is designed not to train individuals to be police officers but rather to educate those who wish to learn about their community's police department.

For each academy, the police department seeks a diverse group of participants who are representative of Eugene's population. Participants must live or work in the city of Eugene, be at least 18 years of age, and pass a criminal background check. The CPA is offered free of charge. The application deadline is **AUGUST 24, 2012** for the remaining openings. For more information, please call 541-682-2751 or visit: <http://www.eugene-or.gov/index.aspx?nid=588>.

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MEDIA NOTE: Brad Dunlap Citizens' Police Academy Graduate and current Eugene Police Volunteer will be available for interviews between 10:30 and 11:30 a.m. Please contact the public information office at 541.682.5197 to arrange.

